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 CODING FOR POLYPEPTIDES)
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 TOWARD LEPIDOPTERA)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 4, replace the first paragraph with the following paragraph:

A sequence of nucleotides according to the invention is characterized in that it has the capacity to hybridize with a probe formed from the sequence (I) showing the following chain arrangement (nucleotides 52-990 of SEQ ID NO:1):

At page 5, replace paragraph 6 with the following paragraph:

The invention also relates to a sequence of nucleotides coding for the following sequence (II) of amino acids (amino acids 1-250 of SEQ ID NO:2):

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